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The files of the Bureau of Records and Communications,  
Chicago Police Department, reflected the following arrest  
record for one [redacted] when reviewed by IC [redacted]  
[redacted] on February 13, 1962:

Date February 14, 1962

Subsequent to the arrest of TONY CENTRACCHIO, he was interviewed at the Chicago Heights Resident Agency office in Chicago Heights, Illinois, at approximately 10:35 p.m. on February 9, 1962. CENTRACCHIO declined to make any statements and he was advised that he did not have to make any statements and that any statements made might be used against him in a court of law. No threats or promises were made to him and he was advised of his right to legal counsel.

CENTRACCHIO advised that he resides at 8710 40th Street, Lyons, Illinois, and that he is self-employed as a sewer contractor in partnership with his father at this same address. He advised that he is a long-time acquaintance of JIM NESSI and that LARRY (LNU), the driver and owner of the Cadillac in which all three were arrested, is only a casual acquaintance. It will be noted that CENTRACCHIO had \$219.04 in U.S. currency on his person. The following description was obtained from observation and interview:

Name	ANTHONY CENTRACCHIO
Address	8710 40th Street Lyons, Illinois
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	October 12, 1929
Place of Birth	Chicago, Illinois
Height	5'8"
Weight	160
Build	Medium
Hair	Dark brown, straight
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Dark
Scars and Marks	Tattoo of rose on left bicep
Social Security No.	[redacted]
Employment	Self-employed sewer contractor doing business as H. Centracchio and Sons, 8710 40th Street, Lyons, Illinois, telephone HI 7-7704

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**Arrest Record**  
**Relatives**

**None admitted**  
**Wife and two children at**  
**residence address**

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The files of the Bureau of Records and Communications, Chicago Police Department, reflected the following arrest record for one ANTHONY CENTRACCHIO when reviewed by IC [redacted]  
[redacted] on February 13, 1962:

CENTRACCHIO was arrested on March 3, 1951, by Officer [redacted] at the 31st District on a capias-traffic. He was fined \$5.00 on March 26, 1951, in Court Branch 43.

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The arrest record reflected that CENTRACCHIO, a white, male, was born on January 2, 1930, at Chicago, Illinois, and resides at 1724 Nerdica. He was employed as a laborer by the Centracchia Construction Company and had Social Security Number [redacted]

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Date February 14, 1962

On February 9, 1962, [redacted] was interviewed in a Bureau automobile parked in front of the Chicago Heights Resident Agency Office, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

At the outset of this interview [redacted] was apprised of the identity of the interviewing Agents, that he did not have to make any statements and that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law. No threats or promises were made to [redacted]. He was advised that he could consult an attorney.

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The following description of [redacted] was obtained  
from interview and observation:

Name

Address

Race

Sex

Date of birth

Place of birth

Height

Weight

Build

Eyes

Hair

Complexion

Scars

Peculiarities

Marital status

Military service

Employment

Relatives

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**Arrest Record**

**FBI Number**

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Received on February 14, 1962 by Investigative  
[redacted] the files of the Bureau of Records  
and Communications, Chicago Police Department, reflected  
the following arrest record for [redacted]

**ARREST**

**CHARGE**

**DISPOSITION**

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[redacted] At the time of the arrest on [redacted] 1960,  
[redacted] a white male, born on [redacted] [redacted]  
[redacted] and had Social Security Number [redacted]  
He was described as [redacted]  
[redacted] Bureau of  
Identification, Chicago Police Department, advised Investigative  
Clerk [redacted] Chicago Police  
Department [redacted] [redacted] noted  
that [redacted] was arrested on February 9, 1962 by the FBI for  
Theft from Interstate Shipment.

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Date February 14, 1962

[redacted] Chicago Heights, Illinois, was contacted at the above address at approximately 10:30 p.m., February 9, 1962. He was advised of his right to consult with an attorney, that he was not compelled to speak to Bureau Agents, and that any statement he may make may be used against him in a court of law. He was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents.

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[redacted]  
[redacted]  
that he did not know what the Bureau Agents were talking about.

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information to support his belief.

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He was asked if he had

SA [redacted] observed serial numbers appearing on several of the large Admiral cartons that were similar to the serial numbers of the Admiral television sets and products that were reportedly stolen on January 24, 1962, from two Holland Cartage trailers. Bureau Agents entered [redacted]

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[redacted] Bureau Agents to the  
FBI Resident Agency Office located in Chicago Heights,  
Illinois.

Date February 14, 1962

Chicago Heights, Illinois, was interviewed at the above premises.

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that she had no knowledge of the presence of Admiral television products

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Date February 13, 1962

[redacted] Chicago  
Heights, Illinois, at the outset of the interview was advised that he was not required to make any statements, that any statements he might make could be used against him in a court of law, and that he was entitled to consult an attorney. No threats or promises were made to him. He furnished the following information:

at the time [redacted]

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[redacted] further stated that he did not see any [redacted]

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[redacted] stated that on February 9, 1962, he was at [redacted]

[redacted] further stated that he had never [redacted]  
[redacted] to anyone prior to [redacted] 1962. He added that he made [redacted]

[redacted] needed the money.

[redacted] viewed [redacted] ANTHONY CENTRACCHIO,  
[redacted] and [redacted]

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consists of a [REDACTED] b7C

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He stated that from [REDACTED] 1961, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
whose present whereabouts were unknown to him.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Special Agents [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] refused to execute a signed statement  
embodying the above information.

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[REDACTED] is described as follows from interrogation and  
observation:

Name  
Race  
Sex  
Date of birth  
Place of birth  
Height  
Weight  
Hair  
Eyes

Build  
Complexion  
Scars and marks

Peculiarities

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Occupation



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**Education  
Arrests**



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The files of the Bureau of Records and Communications,  
Chicago Police Department, Chicago, Illinois, contained no  
arrest record identifiable with [redacted] when reviewed on b7C  
February 13, 1962, by IO [redacted]

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Upon completion of fingerprinting and photographing at the FBI Headquarters, all subjects were transported to the Chicago Police Department lockup to be held for the United States Marshal.

Date February 13, 1962

During the early morning hours of February 10, 1962, Special Agent [redacted] took a series of photographs at [redacted] Bloom Township, Illinois. These photographs were taken of a K & R Delivery truck, 1961 Illinois license [redacted] including the visible contents of the truck, and of the chicken house and its contents located at the rear of the [redacted]

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Date February 19, 1962

[redacted] K and R Trucking Company, 2626 Clyburne, advised his records reveal that truck #175, described as a 1959 International Harvester, three and one-half ton, 14-foot van-type truck of the B-162 series, [redacted] telephone [redacted] 1962.

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He advised that [redacted] one of his employees, had handled the renting of this truck. He further advised that the truck has not been returned to date.

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Date February 14, 1962

On February 9, 1962, an inventory of the contents of the 1959 International K and R delivery truck was made while it was on the premises of the VESCI farm [REDACTED] Bloom Township, Cook County, Illinois, and 66 cartons of Admiral products were found on the truck.

Three items were retained for evidentiary purposes and they are described as follows:

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- 1 Model PS921 portable television, SN 9362687
- 1 Model P908 portable television, SN 9487801
- 1 Model P908 portable television, SN 948287

The remaining 66 cartons were turned over to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Holland Cartage Company, and these were loaded into their trailer #40182 for return to the Admiral Corporation.

After the arrest of TONY VESCI at his farm at [REDACTED] Bloom Township, Cook County, a search was conducted at the chicken house at the rear of the residence and a total of 233 pieces of Admiral radio and television products were recovered in the chicken house.

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Three of the items recovered from the chicken house were retained for evidentiary purposes and they are described as follows:

- 1 Model PS921 portable television set, SN 9362677
- 1 Model P908 portable television set, SN 9485284
- 1 Model P908 portable television set, SN 9485452

The remaining 230 cartons recovered from the chicken house were turned over to [REDACTED] and 155 cartons were placed on trailer #40146 for return to the Admiral Corporation.

Bloom Township, Cook County, Illinois  
and  
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SAs [REDACTED]

by [REDACTED]

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Seal #CW465485 was affixed to the trailer in the presence of  
SA [redacted]

The remaining 75 pieces were loaded onto trailer #40182 along with the 66 cartons recovered from the K and R delivery truck. This trailer was sealed with #CW465487 in the presence of SA [redacted]

On February 12, 1962, at the Admiral plant, Harvard, Illinois, the two trailers 40146 and 40182, were unloaded of Admiral products. SA [redacted] removed seals CW465485 and CW 465487 respectively from the above trailers. An inventory of the recovered items was made by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] insurance adjuster [redacted] and [redacted] of the Admiral Corporation.

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A total of 296 pieces of Admiral products were inventoried at that time and along with six portable television sets retained for evidentiary purposes, the total recovery consisted of 302 pieces. An itemized list of the model and serial numbers of the recovered items is being made a part of the file in this case.

[redacted] for the Home Fire and Marine Insurance Company, 175 West Jackson, advised SA [redacted] that the recovery value of the Admiral products was \$75,000.00. He advised that the load on the stolen Central Wisconsin trailer #9076 was valued at \$35,000.00 and the load on the stolen Green Line trailer #170 was valued at \$40,000.00.

Date February 14, 1962

In connection with the retaining of evidence in this matter, six portable television sets recovered by Bureau Agents were turned over to the United States Marshal's Office, Chicago, Illinois.

One Model PS921, SN 9362687, and two Model P908, SNs 9485287 and 9487801, were recovered from the K and R delivery truck.

One Model PS921, SN 9362677, and two Model P908, SNs 9485284 and 9485452, were recovered from the chicken house at the VESCI farm.

The Model PS921 portable sets in evidence are valued at shipper's cost of \$150.00 each and were part of a three-lot shipment from the Admiral Corporation, Harvard, Illinois, to the Admiral Corporation, San Antonio, Texas, and at the time of theft were on Central Wisconsin trailer 9076.

The Model P908 portable sets in evidence are valued at shipper's cost of \$106.00 each and were part of a 74-lot shipment from the Admiral Corporation, Harvard, Illinois, to Southern Bearings, 500 North College, Charlotte, North Carolina, and at the time of theft were on Green Line trailer 170.

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On February 9, 1962, Assistant United States Attorney JOHN J. QUAN advised that he would not authorize issuance of a search warrant for the premises of 21930 Cottage Grove, Bloom Township, Illinois, at that time; however, in the event subjects started to move the stolen freight, he would authorize the arrest of the subjects and a search of the premises.

On February 10, 1962, Assistant United States Attorney RAYMOND J. SMITH drew up a complaint charging subjects with violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 659 (possession). On this same date, this complaint was filed by SA [redacted] before United States Commissioner C. S. BENTLEY PIKE, who issued a warrant, February 10, 1962.

On February 10, 1962, the subjects were arraigned before the United States Commissioner, Chicago, at which time bond was set at \$5,000 for JAMES PATRICK NESSI, and \$3,000 bond each was set for the other subjects. All subjects were remanded to the custody of the United States Marshal upon failure to post bond.

On February 12, 1962, all of the subjects, represented by counsel, [redacted] appeared before United States Commissioner C. S. BENTLEY PIKE. A preliminary hearing was waived and reduction of bail bonds denied. All subjects were bound over to the Federal District Court. Bond was made by all subjects, NESSI for \$5,000; other subjects for \$3,000 each.

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UNSUBS.; THEFT OF HOLLAND CARTAGE  
 Case Reference TRACTOR #1018, 1961 ILL. LIC.  
 UNK., HOLLAND CARTAGE CO. TRACTOR #1007, 1962  
 ILL. LIC #N6345, CENTRAL WISCONSIN TRAILER #9076  
 & GREENLINE CO. TRAILER #170, BOTH LOADED WITH  
ADMIRAL TV, STEREOFONIC & RADIO EQUIPMENT,  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, 1/24/62; TFIS

List of Contents

Numerous items of evidence which were  
 fully described in Springfield letter  
 2/6/62  
 Mail wrapper

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: Mail Room, place date of shipment and registry number;  
 Shipping Room, show date of shipment, bill of lading number and initial this  
 invoice; then return it to section checked in column at right. After this  
 checked section has been initialed, invoice should be placed in administrative  
 file.

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TITLE OF CASE  <b>CHANGED</b> <b>JOHN GUST ANTZOULATOS;</b> <b>ANTHONY CENTRACCHIO;</b> <b>LOUIS LAWRENCE DOLENDI;</b> <b>JOHN MENDGLIA; aka RICHARD E. COAKLEY;</b> <b>JAMES PATRICK NESSI;</b> <b>TONY VESCI</b>		REFERENCE NUMBER  <b>15-46757</b>	TYPED BY <b>skp</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>TFIS; ITSMV</b>	

*✓* The title of this case is being marked changed to add middle name of LOUIS LAWRENCE DOLENDI and add aka of MENDGLIA as RICHARD E. COAKLEY.

REFERENCE: Chicago airtel to Director 1/25/62.  
Chicago teletype dated 2/10/62. *401*  
Chicago airtels to Springfield and Indianapolis dated 1/24/62.

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LEADSINDIANAPOLIS

AT DYER, INDIANA. Will report results of investigation requested in Chicago airtel to Indianapolis dated 1/24/62.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. No specific leads are being set

APPROVED <i>John</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW	
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out for the Chicago Division. Leads resultant from the fisur and interviews of Holland Cartage Company employees are being covered. Prosecutive action is being followed.

ADMINISTRATIVE

On 1/26/62 [redacted] advised SA [redacted] that [redacted]  
[redacted] who [redacted] on [redacted] Illinois, is acquainted [redacted]

On 1/27/62, [redacted] whose identity must be [redacted]  
protected, [redacted] advised SA [redacted] [redacted]  
[redacted] b2  
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contacted by a [redacted]

After [redacted]  
by the [redacted]  
Avenue, Bloom Township, Cook County, Illinois, to [redacted]

[redacted] At the scene  
there were numerous men around including [redacted]  
According [redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted] directed reporting agent to the vicinity of where the farm was located and it could be noted that there was a very large long building located to the west of the farm house which is located relatively close to Cottage Grove Avenue just south of 219th Street. There were several trucks and a car there which could not be observed too closely.

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A twenty-four hour fixed surveillance was maintained at the [redacted] Bloom Township, [redacted] from 2:30 pm, 1/27/62, until 10:55 pm, 2/9/62. Information developed from this farm has not been included in details of this report as prior to granting use of [redacted] insisted that it not be revealed during or after completion of the fisur that Agents [redacted] to surveill [redacted]

A compiled log of activity observed is being maintained as an exhibit in the Chicago files.

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On January 25, 1962, former [redacted] advised  
SAs [redacted] and [redacted] that he had  
just been contacted by [redacted]

well-known local burglars. [redacted] stated that this same  
group had also participated in the theft of 1,900 cases of  
Alberto Culver beauty products, about 1,500 of which had been  
recently recovered by the FBI in Detroit, Michigan.

Following the above meeting, [redacted]  
maintained daily contact with [redacted]  
[redacted] these Admiral products. On the  
afternoon of [redacted] 1962, [redacted] advised  
SA [redacted] [redacted]  
and was having [redacted] which  
he mentioned was near Chicago Heights, Illinois, [redacted]  
[redacted] in Chicago where they

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Title: JOHN GUST ANTZOULATOS; ANTHONY CENTRACCHIO;  
LOUIS LAWRENCE DOLENDI; JOHN MENOLIA;  
JAMES PATRICK MESSI; TONY VESCICharacter: THEFT FROM INTERSTATE SHIPMENT;  
INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLE

Synopsis: ~

Between hours of midnight and 2:30 AM on 1/24/62 Holland tractor #1007 and Green Line trailer #170 containing 249 television sets, stereo and radio sets and Holland tractor #1018 and Central-Wisconsin trailer #9076 containing 218 television sets, stereo and radio sets were stolen from parking lot of Holland Cartage Company, Cicero, Illinois. The trailers contained shipments from Admiral Sales Corporation, Harvard, Illinois, valued at \$75,000, traveling in interstate commerce. Employees of Holland Cartage Company claim both trailers bore King Pin locks and the yard gate lock had been cut. Holland Cartage Company personnel denied any knowledge of theft. On 2/9/62 Bureau agents observed cartons of Admiral Sales Corporation products being removed from chicken shed on a farm located at 21930 Cottage Grove, Bloom Township, Illinois, and loaded into a K & R delivery van type truck which departed farm followed by a late model Cadillac. Bureau agents converged on the truck and Cadillac apprehending all subjects except VESCI, who was taken into custody at the farm where remainder of the Admiral Sales Corporation products were recovered. Recovery value \$40,000. On 2/10/62 authorized complaint filed USC, Chicago. Warrants issued same date. Subjects arraigned 2/10/62 and bond set. Subjects remanded to custody USM until 2/12/62 at which time subjects waived preliminary hearing and bound over to USDC.

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DETAILS:

This investigation is predicated upon information telephonically furnished to SA [redacted] on January 24, 1962, by [redacted] Holland Cartage Company, 2027 South Cicero Avenue, Cicero, Illinois, who

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[redacted] on January 24, 1962, and noticed that the padlock locking a company gate had been snapped with a clipper. Inspection of the Holland lot determined that Central-Wisconsin trailer #9076; Green Line trailer #170, and two tractors were missing. He said both trailers contained Admiral television, stereos, and radio products consigned in interstate shipment. Investigation was immediately instituted.

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3037 South Cicero, [redacted]

Holland Contance Company, [redacted]

usual lock and in looking about, he saw it on the ground broken open. [redacted] broken padlock and immediately suspected something was amiss. [redacted] checked the yard and found what he thought to be a shortage of four trailers and four tractors. A subsequent search of the yard, however, by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] reflected that only one of the trailers, previously mentioned [redacted] and two of the tractors were missing. The missing trailer, [redacted] was a Green Line trailer, number 170, which was loaded with Admiral TV, stereo, and radio parts from Harvard, Illinois. [redacted] bills of lading for the merchandise in this trailer which indicated that there were three different shipments, two of which were consigned interstate, and that the trailer contained a total of 187 pieces. It was sealed with Seals Number 4940 and 4941.

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It was also ascertained that instead of four tractors missing only two were gone. These were Holland tractors number 1007 and 1018. [redacted] tractor number 1007 was having mechanical trouble and was known to cut out and stop. [redacted]

[redacted] but it was missing. It was subsequently ascertained that in addition to the above Green Line trailer, a Central Wisconsin trailer, number 9076, containing 135 Admiral TV, stereo, and radios was also missing. [redacted] noted that the license for tractor number 1007 was 1962 Illinois H6-345. [redacted] this time he was unable to locate the license number for tractor 1018, but it would have to be an Illinois 1961 license. He had an additional description for the Green Line trailer, number 170, as being a 1956 model, Strickland, 40 feet in length. He advised it was a silver trailer with green lettering of the words, "Green Line." The trailer bore Indiana License 41623.

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 by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] 15-20680  
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[redacted] in addition to the tractors and trailers, he was unable to locate four pin locks, which he believed to be missing at this time. [redacted] that the pin lock is used as a "Fifth wheel" and is attached to a parked trailer to prevent its theft. This pin lock has to be removed before a tractor can hook on.

[redacted] Green Line trailer was dropped in the yard sometime during the evening by one of three drivers who make the run to Admiral Corporation in Harvard, Illinois. He stated that they make two such runs each night and that when he arrived at the yard, all three drivers were en route from Harvard with additional loads of Admiral Products. He stated it is customary for these drivers to lock the gate and give the key to the watchman, who works for Interstate. When they return, they have to get the key from him to get into the yard.

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[redacted] stated that he did not notice anyone around the yard [redacted] but did observe that there were several "holes" where trailers would normally be parked and after finding the broken padlock, immediately suspected that the trailers normally in these holes had been stolen. He could name no suspects and denied any knowledge of or participation in the theft himself.

Date January 24, 1962

[redacted] Holland Cartage Company, 3037 South Cicero, Cicero, Illinois, advised that the company has a joint guard service with Pic-Walsh Freight Company and Wilson Truck Company, Inc., both 2931 South Cicero Avenue, Cicero, Illinois. A common guard house is located on Pic-Walsh-Wilson property about fifty feet from Holland's north gate. Guard service is obtained from the Interstate Service Corporation, 407 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois.

During usual working hours a key to the terminal's south gate and a key to the king pin locks, both on a wire key ring attached to an eight or ten inch stick, are in the custody of company [redacted]

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When the terminal is locked at night and the main south gate secured, the keys are given to the guard at the guard house who keeps them in his custody [redacted]

[redacted] Drivers obtain the keys from the guard during the night hours if they bring equipment in or out of the yard. They are supposed to return the keys to the guard's custody.

[redacted] related that he was informed that on the early morning of January 13, 1962 (Saturday), a guard or one of the company drivers lost the keys in deep snow. The keys were hanging on the north gate and the wire key ring evidently sprung open when they were pulled off of the fence. [redacted]

[redacted] later found the key to the south gate in the snow. The king pinkey, one of the two registered keys made, is still missing. [redacted] advised that he had twelve king pin locks made for his company and that only two (duplicate) keys had been made by the Illinois Lock Company for the twelve locks. He stated that one key was placed on a key ring as described above and the other key had been locked in a safety deposit box. He stated that the only persons outside of the Holland Cartage Company who would have access to the registered key, prior to January 13, 1962, would have been the Interstate Service Guards, the Illinois Lock Company employees where the cylinders keys were made and the employees of the Trailer Lock and Body Company, 1301 North Larrabee, Chicago, Illinois, where the pin locks were made and the cylinders assembled with the lock proper.

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CG 15-20680

by Special Agent [redacted] and Date dictated 1/24/62

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After the first key was reported lost on January 13, 1962, [redacted] the duplicate key from the safety deposit box and placed it on the key ring along with the fence gate key and had the key ring [redacted] closed. [redacted] after the first key was lost [redacted] the Illinois Lock Company to change all tumblers on the ten remaining king pin locks and issue him two more keys, but this has not been accomplished to date.

He pointed out that in order for any person finding the lost king pin lock key to use it in the theft of the Holland Cartage Company trailers, that person would have had to have had inside knowledge that the key would open the Holland Cartage Company king pin lock.

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[redacted] said he had been advised by a representative of the shipper, Admiral Corporation, that the estimated wholesale value of the merchandise on the stolen trailers was as follows:

Central Wisconsin Trailer #9076	\$26,000
Green Line Trailer #170	\$18,000
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Total Loss -	\$44,000

Date 1/30/62

A search of the terminal yard of the Holland Cartage Company, 3037 South Cicero Avenue, Cicero, Illinois, to locate the king pin locks that were on Central Wisconsin Trailer #9076 and Green Line Trailer #170 when stolen on January 24, 1962, was unproductive.

Observation of the areas where the two trailers were spotted reflected no metal filings or drippings indicating that the king pin locks were sawed, chiseled, or burned off with an acetylene torch.

S [redacted] found the hasp of the master lock used to lock the main south gate in the snow near the right portion of the opened gate.

Inspection of the master lock and hasp indicated the lock had been sheered open by a tool such as a bolt cutter.

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Date January 24, 1962

[redacted] Holland Cartage Company, 3037 South Cicero Avenue, stated that the company had been advised that the Central Wisconsin Trailer #9076 had been found abandoned and empty at Route 1 and Route 17, Grant Park, Illinois, on the morning of January 24, 1962, by District No. 4, Illinois State Police. The trailer was hitched to Holland Tractor #1018. The tractor and trailer were taken to the City Service Station, [redacted] at Grant Park, Illinois.

Late in the afternoon of January 24, 1962, [redacted] said he learned that Holland Tractor #1007 and Green Line Trailer #176 had been recovered abandoned and empty on St. John's Road near the Indiana State Police Barracks, Dyer, Indiana.

[redacted] said that until the units were recovered the company did not know which tractor was stolen with which trailer.

[redacted] stated that company records reflect that Holland Tractor #1007 is a 1958 International Harvester tractor, factory or serial #L 190 9433, bearing 1962 Illinois License N6345. Holland tractor #1018 is a 1960 International Harvester tractor, factory or serial #FB 8351-F bearing a 1961 Illinois License, number not readily available.

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Date January 24, 1962

at [redacted] temporarily residing [redacted]  
[redacted] Chicago, Illinois, advised [redacted]  
[redacted] at the Holland Cartage Company [redacted]

at [redacted] Central Wisconsin Trailer [redacted]  
[redacted] at Herman, ILLINOIS, on January 23, 1962, [redacted]  
[redacted] He arrived at the Holland Cartage Company terminal,  
Cicero, Illinois, at approximately [redacted] and snatched the [redacted]

[redacted] related that [redacted]  
[redacted] 1962, as he had [redacted] Illinois. Then he [redacted]

Approximately five or ten minutes after he arrived at [redacted]  
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[redacted] garage during the night of January 23, 1962.

[redacted] another early run as he lives too far to commute.

[redacted] stated he had no knowledge regarding the theft of  
the stolen units.

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Date January 30, 1962

[redacted] also known as [redacted] born [redacted]  
[redacted] Chicago, Illinois, residence [redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois, [redacted]  
with Holland [redacted] Company [redacted]

He also stated he has [redacted]

[redacted] advised that on 1/23/62 [redacted]

He stated that he did not learn of the theft until  
he was advised of it in Harvard, Illinois, by [redacted] (phonetic)  
[redacted] 1/24/62.

[redacted] denied any knowledge of the theft of the two  
tractors and trailers or locating the missing key. He stated that  
he knows that if his company loses the Admiral Corporation hauling  
contract, [redacted]  
list.

[redacted] advised that he would be willing to take a polygraph  
examination.

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Date 1/30/62[redacted] born [redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois, residence  
Mc Henry, Illinois[redacted] For Holland  
Cartage Company.

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He advised that at [redacted] on January 23, 1962, he arrived at the company terminal from Harvard, Illinois, pulling

out of the office, as the office doors are usually locked.

He also stated that he was of the opinion that [redacted]  
[redacted] was sleeping in his tractor while he was at the terminal.

[redacted] denied any knowledge of the theft of the two tractors and trailers and their freight.

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[redacted] born [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, residence [redacted]  
[redacted] Wildwood, Illinois, advised that he has been a [redacted]  
for the Holland Cartage Company [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] He recalled that just prior to his departure, he saw [redacted]  
[redacted] walk through the driver's room into the garage. He had his street  
hat and jacket on and was carrying his suitcase as though he was just  
arriving at the terminal.

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[redacted] recalled at about [redacted] on 1/13/62 he and

[redacted] They noted that the gate was [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] stepped out of the car and took the key ring which is attached  
to a stick off of the fence and returned to the car. He stated that he  
lost the keys. The key ring was open and no keys were on it. He stated  
[redacted], looked for the keys and [redacted]

[redacted]

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[redacted] denied any knowledge of the theft of the two tractors and trailers. b7C b7D

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[redacted] born [redacted]  
Chicago, Illinois, residence [redacted] Wildwood,  
Illinois, advised that he has never been arrested. He advised [redacted]

[redacted]  
when he returned from [redacted] Illinois, [redacted] the same date,  
he heard that two tractors and trailers had been stolen.

[redacted]  
[redacted] denied any knowledge of the theft of the tractors  
and trailers or the finding of the lost king pin key.

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residence [redacted] born [redacted] at Chicago, Illinois. [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, advised that he, [redacted] arrived at the terminal from Harvard, Illinois, at about the same time, which was [redacted] 1/23/62. [redacted] Admiral Sales Corporation freight in Trailer [redacted] [redacted]

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[redacted] shot while at the terminal the first time.

[redacted] stated that one of the guards, an elderly man, [redacted] that one of the other guards had slipped in the snow while taking the key ring off of the fence and had broken the key ring, losing the pin lock key.

[redacted] advised that he had been arrested only one time, that being eight years of age for [redacted]. He denied any knowledge of instant theft.

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Date January 30, 1962

residence address [redacted]

Holland Cartage Company,  
Chicago, IllinoisMichigan, advised that [redacted]  
with Holland Cartage Company [redacted]

[redacted] stated that on January 24, 1962, he arrived at the Holland terminal at [redacted] which time he noted that the front gate was open. He recalled that [redacted] was there. He stated that he believed that [redacted] had passed him in their trucks as he was entering the premises. He stated that soon after arriving at the terminal [redacted] remarked that the terminal yard looked emptier than usual. They also noted two envelopes of freight bills on [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] denied any knowledge of the theft of the two trailers and tractors and stated that he had not even been aware of the fact that the king pin key had been lost.

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Chicago, Illinois, advised that he is [redacted] for the Interstate Service Corporation, Chicago, [redacted] the Pic-Walsh, Wilson and Holland truck companies.

[redacted] stated that he saw no unusual activity at the Holland terminal during the early hours of January 24, 1962.

but paid no attention as drivers are coming and going at all hours.

According to [redacted] he went to the Holland Terminal for a few minutes after [redacted] [redacted] were in the terminal. Two envelopes were on [redacted] desk with freight bills. [redacted] mentioned "FBI".

[redacted] the guard service merely acts as a custodian for the Holland terminal keys after hours and does not patrol the premises. The south main Holland gate is not visible from the guard shack. On weekends a clock is placed near the south gate and the guard has to punch the clock on his rounds.

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This is not done throughout the week.

[redacted] indicated that when Holland drivers use the keys after hours, they are suppose to return them to the guard shack but don't. They hang the keys on the north gate fence and honk or call out and the guard walks over and takes them off of the fence. [redacted]

In regard to the missing king pin key. [redacted]

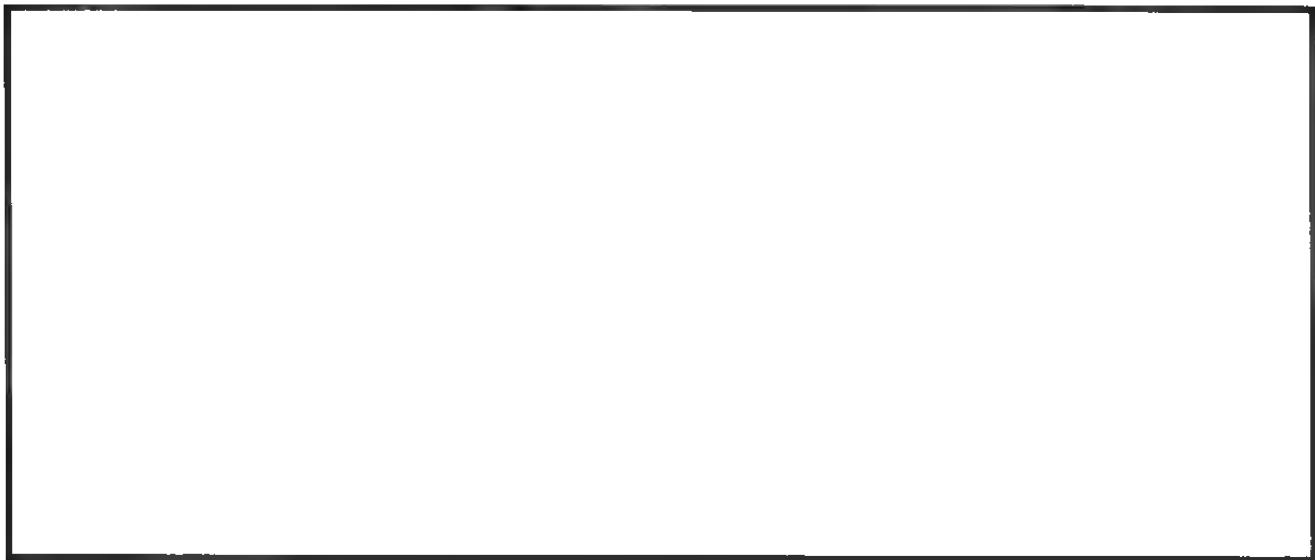
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[redacted] had a key which fit the lock on the north gate. This was one of a number of locks formerly used by Central Wisconsin. [redacted] got a saw at the terminal and sawed the lock chain on the main south gate. [redacted] on the gate to secure the terminal. [redacted]

[redacted]  
Hanging on the north gate fence which is visible from the guard shack.

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for the missing keys on January 13, 1962:



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Date January 30, 1962

[redacted] Wilson Truck Company, Inc., 2931 South Cicero Avenue, advised that it was on the morning of January 23, 1962, and not January 24, 1962, that Wilson City [redacted] got stuck in the terminal gate entrance where the guard house is located. [redacted] got stuck at 2:21 a.m. on January 23, 1962, and was freed at about 2:45 a.m. by Wilson foremen aided by four company snappers. Wilson road drivers arrived at 2:33 a.m., and [redacted] arrived at 2:23 a.m. and were blocked at the gate at the time.

[redacted] said that everyone was occupied with the stuck Wilson truck and paid no attention to any activity, if any, at the Holland terminal.

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[REDACTED] Interstate Service Corporation, [REDACTED] He [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  
Carriage Company driver, name unknown, [REDACTED] was given the Holland Cartage Company key ring. About fifteen [REDACTED]b7C  
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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date January 26, 1962

[redacted] Holland Cartage Company, 3037 South Cicero Avenue, made available the following Admiral Sales Corp. bills of lading for merchandise contained in Central Wisconsin Trailer No. 9076 at the time that it was stolen on January 24, 1962:

The shipper on all Bills of Lading is the Admiral Sales Corp., Harvard, Illinois, dated January 23, 1962:

- (1) Bill of Lading No. 3-739  
Consignee: Mid-West Tire and Auto Stores, 160 South Second Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
28 radios (7 cartons of 4) (no serial numbers)
- (2) Bill of Lading No. 3-740  
Consignee: Rhodes, Inc., 301 South Wilmington, Raleigh, North Carolina  
3 stereos  
1 phonograph
- (3) Bill of Lading No. 3-741  
Consignee: Rhodes, Inc., 127 North Greene St., Greensboro, North Carolina  
4 stereos  
1 phonograph
- (4) Bill of Lading No. 3-738  
Consignee: Capital Radio and TV, 1705 Charlotte, Nashville, Tennessee  
21 Televisions  
23 Stereos
- (5) Bill of Lading No. 3-737  
Consignee: Admiral Sales Corp., in care of Lawrence Warehouse, 1819 South Flores, San Antonio, Texas  
43 televisions
- (6) Bill of Lading No. 3-736  
Consignee: Dorrance Supply, 225 North Champion, Youngstown, Ohio  
16 televisions  
9 stereos  
28 radios

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(7) Bill of Lading No. 3-739

Consignee: Mid-West Tire and Auto Store, 160 South  
Second St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
28 radios (no serial numbers)

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[redacted] also made available a list of serial  
numbers of all serialized merchandise, which list along with  
the copies of bills are being made a part of this file.

Date January 26, 1962

[redacted] Holland Cartage Company, 3037 South Cicero Avenue, made available the following three Admiral Sales Corporation bills of lading for merchandise contained in Green Line Trailer No. 170, when it was stolen on January 24, 1962:

(1) Bill of Lading No. 3-744 dated January 23, 1962  
 Shipper: Admiral Sales Corporation, Harvard, Illinois  
 Consignee: Sterchi Brothers Stores, 174 South Street, Gastonia, North Carolina  
 Two stereo sets

(2) Bill of Lading No. 3-743 dated January 23, 1962  
 Shipper: Admiral Sales Corporation, Harvard, Illinois  
 Consignee: Atlantic Shippers Association, in care of Association Consolidation, 475 East Randolph, Chicago, Illinois  
 One phonograph  
 Six stereos  
 (for Sterchi Brothers, 116 Whitehall SW, Atlanta, Georgia)

(3) Bill of Lading No. 3-742 dated January 23, 1962  
 Shipper: Admiral Sales Corporation, Harvard, Illinois  
 Consignee: Southern Bearing and Parts, 500 North College, Charlotte, North Carolina  
 115 televisions  
 Twenty-four stereos  
 Forty radios (ten cartons of four)

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[redacted] advised that the shipments contained in the above trailer and Central Wisconsin Trailer No. 9076 were valued at \$43,429.10.

[redacted] made available copies of the above bills of lading as well as a list of serial numbers available for the above-listed Admiral Sales Corporation merchandise.

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[redacted] Holland Cartage Company, 3037 South Cicero Avenue, Cicero, Illinois, advised that Holland would file an insurance claim, Claim [redacted] in the amount of \$43,429.10 (manufacturer's cost) in favor of the Admiral Sales Corporation, 3800 West Cortland, Chicago, Illinois, for the theft on January 24, 1962, of television sets, radios, and talking machines on Green Line trailer 170 and Central Wisconsin trailer 9076. This amount was certified as correct by [redacted] Admiral Sales Corporation.

[redacted] said that Holland is insured by the Home Fire and Marine Insurance Company, 175 West Jackson, Chicago, Illinois, through insurance [redacted] telephone number [redacted]

The value of the merchandise on each trailer is as follows:

Trailer 9076

<u>Invoice No.</u>	<u>No. of Units</u>	<u>Value</u>
201811	28	\$ 215.60
201734	46	1,450.50
201735	18	4,852.50
201697	43	6,400.00
201816	21	3,270.00
201817	46	3,244.75
201740	7	381.75
201741	9	488.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>\$ 20,303.10</b>

On 2/7/62 at Cicero, Illinois File # Chicago 15-20680  
Chicago 15-20677  
 by SA [redacted] cd Date dictated 2/12/62

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Trailer 170

<u>Invoice No.</u>	<u>No. of Units</u>	<u>Value</u>
201739	88	\$ 3,503.00
201738	144	18,672.00
201711	13	717.50
201759	4	<u>233.50</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>\$ 23,126.00</b>
<b>Grand Totals</b>	<b>467</b>	<b><u>\$ 43,429.10</u></b>

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On January 24, 1962, [redacted]  
Holland Captain Company, Cicero, Illinois, telephonically  
advised SA [redacted] that in response to an alert  
describing his company's stolen equipment to other  
transportation companies, he received a call from an  
unidentified employee of Gerdens Transports advising  
that at about 9:30 AM that date he had observed a  
Central-Wisconsin trailer believed to be trailer #9076,  
traveling south on Cicero Avenue at about 95th Street  
by a red tractor.

An area search was immediately instituted by  
the following agents:

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This search covered the south portion of Cook  
County south of 95th Street.

Subsequent to recovery of units at Grant Park,  
Illinois and Dyer, Indiana, the area search was concentrated  
on the southeast portion of Cook County and Will County,  
Illinois.

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By communication January 24, 1962, the Springfield Division advised that a trailer bearing the name Central-Wisconsin Meter Transport Company, Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin, bearing Wisconsin license CS 1796, trailer #9076, and International tractor, model unknown, with name Helland Cartage Company, Harvard, Illinois, bearing 1961 Illinois license N7409, tractor number 1018 on bumper, was found located east of Grant Park, Illinois, at 8:10 AM on January 24, 1962, by an Illinois State Police trooper. The trooper advised that there was no indication that an exchange of merchandise was made where the tractor and trailer were abandoned. The trooper had the tractor and trailer driven to Ted Ruhn's City Service Station, Grant Park, Illinois where it was stored in running condition. The key was in the tractor's ignition. The trailer contained no merchandise.

It is noted that Central Wisconsin trailer #9076 was found abandoned at Routes 1 and 17 near Grant Park, Illinois, which is approximately 18 miles from the intersection of Cottage Grove and Saulk Trail, Bloom Township, Cook County, Illinois.

Green Line trailer #170 was found abandoned on St. John Road, Schererville, Indiana (near Dyer, Indiana), which is approximately 8 miles from the intersection of Cottage Grove and Saulk Trail.

Date January 31, 1962

A 1956 Chevrolet, white over light blue in color, bearing 1961 Illinois License [redacted] was observed by Agents at the intersection of Cottage Grove and Route 30, Chicago Heights, Illinois, at approximately 10:20 a.m. This car was occupied by one male occupant. Approximately three minutes later, this same automobile was observed going east on Route 30 near the Calumet Expressway, East Chicago Heights, Illinois.

This license was checked and determined to have been issued to JOHN MENDOLIA, 1203 South 16th, Maywood, Illinois, on a Chevrolet, Identification or Factory No. [redacted]

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Date February 14, 1962

At approximately 5:02 a.m. on February 2, 1962, a recent model Chevrolet or International van type truck, approximately 1½ ton capacity, was observed driving north on Cottage Grove Avenue in the vicinity of the VESCI residence, [redacted] Bloom Township, Illinois. This truck was observed stopped on the east side of Cottage Grove, facing north, directly across the road from the VESCI residence. Two unidentified white males were observed standing adjacent to the cab of this truck. At 5:07 a.m., above truck was driven north to Route 30, then east for a distance of approximately five miles where it was parked at an all-night truck stop. At this time, approximately 5:25 a.m., February 2, 1962, it was observed that this truck bore 1962 Illinois license [redacted] and the name "K - R Delivery" on each side of the van.

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Date February 14, 1962

At 6:38 p.m. on February 3, 1962, SA [redacted] observed an old model dark colored flat bed truck leave the driveway of [redacted] Bloom Township, Illinois, southeast of Chicago Heights. Hand painted on the door of this vehicle was "T. Vesai". When leaving the driveway of a farm at this address the lights were out on the truck. After turning on to Cottage Grove headed in a northerly direction the lights were put on. The truck proceeded approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile north and turned east at the first street going east after leaving the farm. This street is marked for one way traffic in a westerly direction. Next to the cab on the truck bed was a tan cardboard carton of approximately 3' x 2' x 2' with the name "Admiral" and lettering about 3" in height. This lettering was yellow with a black border.

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Date February 13, 1962

On February 8, 1962, at 1:05 p.m., a late model Cadillac, off white in color, bearing 1961 Illinois License Number [redacted] was observed departing from [redacted] Bloom Township, Illinois. The above automobile contained two men and proceeded North on Cottage Grove Avenue after leaving the above address.

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Date February 14, 1962

On this date, a late model Cadillac bearing 1961 Illinois License [redacted] was observed turning south on Halsted Street at the intersection of Lincoln Highway (U. S. 30) and Halsted Street in Chicago Heights, Illinois. This car was an off-white color. It was occupied by two men in the front seat and a clear view of the driver of this vehicle was obtained.

Subsequent to the arrest of LEWIS DOLENDI on February 9, 1962, a photograph of this individual was observed and determined to be identical with the driver of the late model Cadillac on February 8, 1962.

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On February 9, 1962, at 9:35 p.m., a truck was observed backed up to a chicken barn at the rear of [redacted] Bloom Township, Illinois, which address is the farm home of TONY VESCI. Several persons were observed walking about and around the truck, but because of the darkness, it was not possible to see the persons or truck at this time well enough with the naked eye vision for identification purposes. This observation point was approximately 25 yards south of the driveway entry to the VESCI farm on west side of the road.

At this time SA [redacted] was on Cottage Grove Avenue at a position of approximately five feet south of the point where the driveway from the farm intersected with the highway. [redacted] was equipped with 7 x 50 field glasses. From this point to the chicken house at the rear of the home was approximately 175 feet. Six men were observed in and out of the chicken house loading cartons on the rear of the truck, which bore lettering "K and R Delivery". One individual of short stature was observed to go from the chicken house to the farm house and back to the chicken house on three occasions during the approximate ten to twelve minutes when the loading was being observed. During one of these trips from the chicken house to the house this man walked toward the road to a tree immediately south of the house where a large dog was tied to the tree. The dog was barking and this individual kicked the dog in an apparent effort to quiet his barking.

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It could be observed that the cartons being loaded bore the name "Admiral" and that there were cartons within the chicken house which bore the name "Admiral" in lettering approximately three inches in height on the larger cartons. The loading of this truck was done through two double sliding doors at the east end of the building on the south side. These doors were approximately 5½ feet in width each.

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At approximately 9:55 p.m., a Cadillac automobile left the driveway of the farm with lights out and headed south on Cottage Grove Avenue. At approximately 10:00 p.m., the above-described truck left the driveway of the farm with the lights out and headed in a northerly direction. The lights were turned on a short distance after proceeding north on Cottage Grove. The Cadillac returned heading north with the lights on and proceeded north approximately 50 yards ahead of the truck.

At the intersection of Highway 30 and Cottage Grove Avenue, the Cadillac, occupied by two individuals in the front seat and one in the rear, went through a green light and stopped approximately 25 yards north of this intersection on the east side of the road. The driver of this vehicle got out and went to the rear of the Cadillac where he shook the license plate, looked at the right rear fender, scanned the area, and got back into the car on the driver's side. The license was observed to be Illinois license [redacted]. The truck proceeded north on Cottage Grove and stopped on the south side of the intersection for a red light. The license plate on the truck was [redacted]

At this time SAs [redacted] were in an automobile driven by SA [redacted] immediately behind the truck at the light. When the light turned green, the truck proceeded north. The truck passed the Cadillac, followed by Agents [redacted]

[redacted] At a point approximately halfway between Highway 30 and Joe Orr Road, the Cadillac passed the car occupied by Agents and followed the truck. The truck made a left (west) turn at Joe Orr Road and was followed by the Cadillac and the Agents' car.

Approximately one-half mile west on Joe Orr Road, the truck stopped and one occupant left the truck on the passenger side and started running across an

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open field to the north. Identities of the Agents as being FBI Agents was hollered to him in a loud voice. This person, who was later identified as JOHN ANTZOLATOUS, continued to run to a point approximately 40 yards from the truck, at which time he either fell or dived into the field. SAs [redacted] and [redacted] then returned him to the area of the truck. ANTZOLATOUS, even at this point, refused to divulge his identity to the Agents or to make any comment at all relative to his activities.

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On February 9, 1962, a 1959 Cadillac coupe occupied by three white males was observed proceeding north on Cottage Grove Road in the vicinity of Route 30 at Chicago Heights, Illinois. This car was followed by a late model 1½ ton van type truck, bearing the markings of K - R Delivery and this truck was occupied by two white males. It was noted that the truck was stopped by a red light at this point and the Cadillac paused just north of Route 30 until the light changed at which time the truck passed the Cadillac and the Cadillac then followed the truck from this point on. These two units proceeded north on Cottage Grove Road to Joe Orr Road approximately one mile north of Route 30, then proceeded west on Joe Orr Road. At a point approximately one quarter of a mile west of Cottage Grove Road, the 1959 Cadillac coupe was stopped and the following persons found in this car were taken into custody. These persons are identified as:

JAMES VETER NESSI  
ANTHONY CENTRACCHIO  
LOUIS LAWRENCE DOLENDI

All three individuals were searched and then transported immediately to the Chicago Heights Resident Agency office.

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At approximately 10:05 p.m. after following a KAR Delivery Truck, red in color, bearing 1961 Illinois License Number [redacted] from a few blocks south of Route 30 and Cottage Grove Avenue, Chicago Heights, Illinois, to about one half mile west of Cottage Grove Avenue on Joe Orr Road, the truck stopped and two men ran from the cab of the truck east on Joe Orr Road. One headed south off the road and was apprehended by SA [redacted]. He was searched by SA [redacted]. [redacted] was turned over to SA [redacted] at approximately 10:15 p.m. He did not give his name when asked but later identified himself as JOHN MENDOLIA.

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At approximately 10:03 p.m., on February 9, 1962, SA [redacted] was in a radio equipped Bureau Car with three other Bureau Agents in the vicinity of Highway 30 and Cottage Grove Avenue, in Chicago Heights, Illinois. At this time I observed a 1959 or 1960 Cadillac Coupe, two door, light gray in color, proceeding North on Cottage Grove Avenue, at which time this vehicle stopped just North of the junction of Highway 30 on Cottage Grove Avenue. There were three white unknown subjects in the car. In observing this car I also saw a K and R Delivery Truck Number 175, approximately 3½ ton step on Cottage Grove Avenue at the traffic light at Highway 30. The K and R Delivery Truck then proceeded North on Cottage Grove Avenue passing the Cadillac with this car then following to the rear. Both the delivery truck and Cadillac proceeded on Cottage Grove Avenue going North approximately one mile from Highway 30 and then both truck and automobile turned West on Joeorr Road. I was in radio contact with other Bureau cars in that vicinity and approximately at 10:07 p.m., I participated in the "curving" of the 1959 - 1960 Cadillac on Joeorr Road, Chicago Heights, Illinois. At this time the Bureau car was parked in back of the Cadillac and I departed the Bureau car on the passenger side approaching the passenger side of the Cadillac along with SA [redacted] who had departed a second Bureau car parked on the driver's side of the Cadillac.

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I opened the right front door of the above-mentioned Cadillac and proceeded to take into custody JAMES PATRICK NESSI. In opening the right front door of the Cadillac I observed a Lincoln two way handy talkie radio which operates on a citizens band and was in operation at that time, fall to the ground out of the car beneath the right front door. I picked up this radio subsequently initializing same to be retained for evidentiary purposes.

NESSI was placed in Bureau car subsequently to be transported to the Chicago Heights Resident Agency of the FBI at approximately 10:12 p.m.

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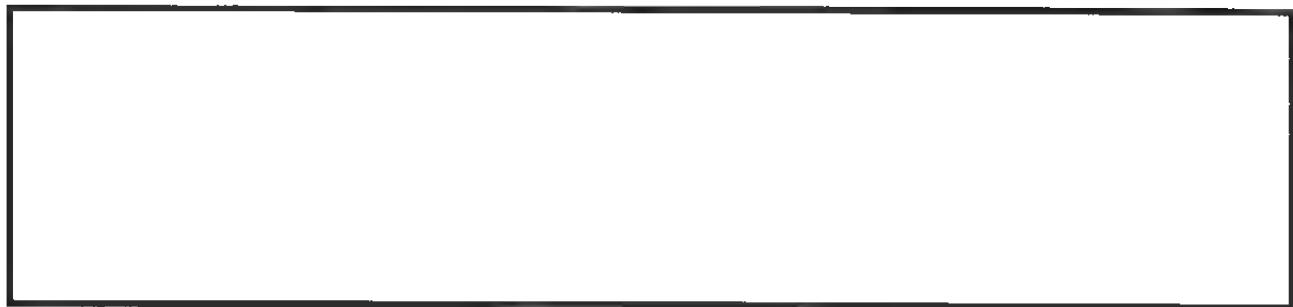
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Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] participated in a physical surveillance together with a number of other Bureau Agents on February 9, 1962. Communication was maintained by means of two-way radios. At approximately 10:05 AM, SA [redacted] was on foot near the northeast corner of U.S. Highway 30 and Cottage Grove Avenue in East Chicago Heights, Illinois. SA [redacted] observed a late model, light colored, two door Cadillac automobile bearing 1961 Illinois license [redacted] with three occupants proceeding north through the intersection of U.S. Highway 30 and Cottage Grove Avenue. This automobile stopped on the shoulder of the road just north of a Phillips 66 gasoline station located at this point. A few moments later SA [redacted] observed a truck proceeding north on Cottage Grove Avenue and stop for a traffic signal light at the intersection of U.S. Highway 30 and Cottage Grove Avenue. This truck was a van-type, straight body style truck with a capacity of approximately 3½ tons. It was approximately a 1959 model and red in color. It was marked K & R Delivery, Number 175, and was bearing 1961 Illinois license [redacted]. There were two occupants. When the traffic light changed to green instant truck proceeded north on Cottage Grove Avenue. SA [redacted] entered the Bureau automobile accompanied by SA [redacted]

[redacted] instant truck proceeded north on Cottage Grove Avenue and was followed by the light colored Cadillac bearing 1961 Illinois license [redacted] with three occupants. These two vehicles continued north to Joe Orr Road and then made a left turn continuing west on Joe Orr Road. Bureau automobile was driven past the Cadillac with the three occupants and driven along side instant truck for approximately 300 feet. The truck driver slowed down and then stopped the truck. The driver who was identified later as JOHN ANTZOULATOS immediately sprang out of the truck on the driver's side and ran around the front of the truck to the northeast. Bureau automobile immediately stopped on a slight angle in front of this truck. The point of this action occurred approximately 200 feet east of State Road on Joe Orr Road in Bloom Township, Cook County, Illinois.

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The passenger, who was later identified as JOHN MENDOLIA, got out on foot from the passenger's side of the truck, ran around the front, and fled south across the road.

SA [redacted] identified the pursuers as being FBI Agents. ANTZOULATOS continued north across a plowed field running, however fell down and was seized by SAs [redacted] [redacted] The chase extended for approximately 45 yards.

SA [redacted] checked the interior of the cab of the truck. The engine had been left running with the headlights turned on. In this connection it is to be noted the side door on the passenger side was partially open. It was observed that a portable two-way radio and a leather case were lying on the seat cushion on the passenger side of the truck cab. This radio was turned on and it was possible to hear some squelch noise.

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SA [redacted] arrived at the scene and took over the search of the truck. The rear doors of the truck were wired together. Upon opening the truck doors it was observed that the truck was loaded with Admiral television products.

At the same time ANTZOULATOS and MENDOLIA were advised that they were not compelled to speak to Bureau Agents, that they had the right to consult with an attorney, and that any statements they may make may be used against them in a court of law. Both ANTZOULATOS and MENDOLIA refused to answer any questions whatsoever. They refused to identify themselves or to make any comment. They were removed to the FBI Resident Agency Office located in Chicago Heights, Illinois.

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or himself:

Name  
Address  
Sex  
Race  
Weight  
Height  
Hair  
Eyes  
Marital Status

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Wife  
Children

Previous employment

Current Employment

Military Service  
Arrest Record

Prior to interviewing [redacted] he was advised that he did not have to make a statement and any statement he made could be used against him in a court of law. He was advised he had a right to an attorney.

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The files of the Bureau of Records and Communications,  
Chicago Police Department, reflected the following arrest record  
for [redacted] when reviewed on February 14, 1962 by [redacted]

ARREST

CHARGE

DISPOSITION

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At the time of the arrest on May 5, 1961, [redacted]  
a white male, [redacted]  
[redacted]

On February 14, 1962, [redacted]  
Bureau of Identification, Chicago Police Department, [redacted]  
Investigative Clerk [redacted] that from the [redacted]  
[redacted] had been given the following Chicago Police Depart-  
ment fingerprint classification:

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Immediately after the arrest of JOHN MENDOLIA and JOHN ANTZOULATOS, the 1959 International truck in which they had fled from was examined by SA [redacted]. This was at approximately 10:10 p.m., February 9, 1962, on Joe Orr Road at a point of about 250 feet east of State Road, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

The rear doors of the truck were not locked and upon opening the doors the truck was found to be fully loaded with Admiral radio and television products. Several cartons at the rear of the truck contained the name of a consignee, Southern Bearings, 590 North College, Charlotte, North Carolina, having labels reflecting they contained Model Y2999, radios being shipped from Admiral Corporation, Chicago, Illinois. SA [redacted] at this time had in his possession a list of model and serial numbers of Admiral products stolen from Holland Cartage Company, Cicero, Illinois, on January 24, 1962, and this list showed that those products on the truck were part of this stolen shipment.

The truck upon further examination reflected that the lights were on; the motor was running with the key in the ignition. b7c

On the seat of the truck was found one Lincoln Model 2-way handy talkie radio, telescoping antenna, contained in a brown carrying case. The switch was in an on position and the radio was in working condition.

The 1959 International truck is further described as a 14 feet closed van type, 3½ ton, B160 series. The truck was red in color and bore 1961 Illinois license [redacted] and 1961 Chicago license [redacted]. The serial number of the truck was [redacted]. The truck had number 175 on the doors as well as at the rear. The lettering K & R Delivery was on the front, rear, and both sides of the body. The mileage on the speedometer was 54279.

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The truck as well as the 2-wa. radio was processed for latent fingerprints with unproductive results. Nothing of evidentiary value was obtained from the cab or the body of the truck, except Admiral products.

The truck and its contents were returned by SA [redacted] to the Tony Vesci farm where the contents of the truck was turned over to a representative of the Holland Cartage Company. The truck was then taken by SA [redacted] [redacted] to the Gunther Marathon Service Station, 14th Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, where it was parked pending its recovery by the owner, K & R Delivery.

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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

Date February 14, 1962

On February 9, 1962, [redacted] was interviewed at the Chicago Heights Resident Agency Office of the FBI, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

At the outset of this interview [redacted] was advised of the official character of the Agents. He was advised that he need make no statement to the Agents and that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law. He was advised he could consult an attorney if he so desired.

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The following description of [redacted] was obtained through interview and observation:

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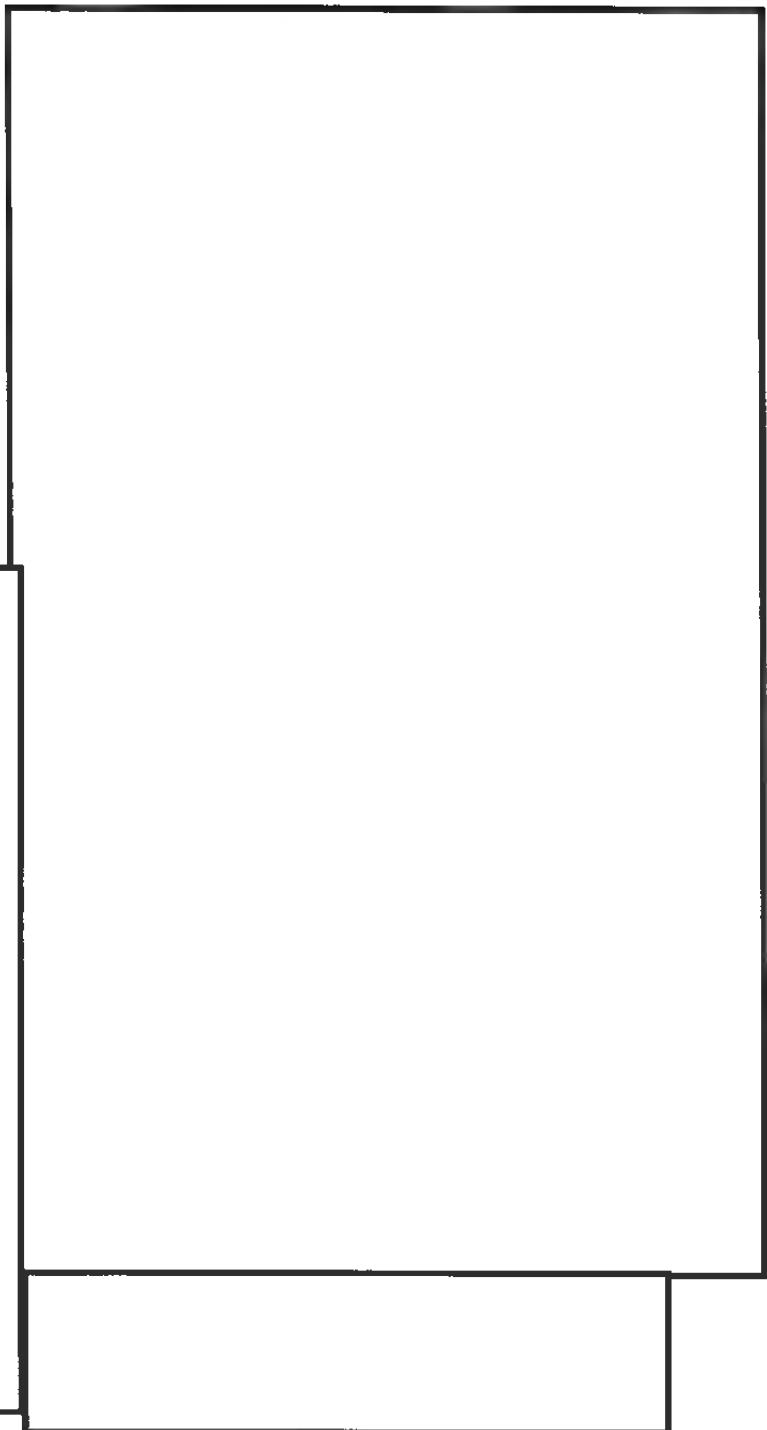
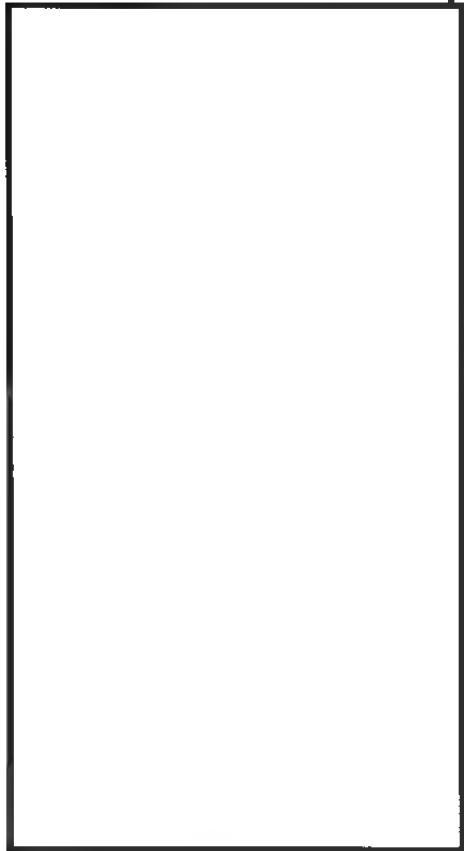
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**Age**  
**Date of birth**  
**Place of birth**  
**Height**  
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**Build**  
**Hair**  
**Complexion**  
**Eyes**  
**Scars and marks**

**Arrest record**  
**Employment**



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[redacted] Chicago, Illinois, was interviewed at the Headquarters Office in the early morning of February 10, 1962. At the outset, he was advised of his right to consult with an attorney; that he was not compelled to speak to Bureau agents; and that any statement he may make can be used against him in a court of law.

He was asked to explain his activities on February 9.

[redacted]

[redacted]

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[Redacted]

when a truck was being loaded a short time before he and the others were stopped by FBI agents on JOE GRR ROAD. He replied in the negative. He declined to furnish a signed statement which would incorporate the above information.



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[redacted] was completed by [redacted]

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[redacted] taken by Bureau automobile  
in Chicago Heights to the Chicago  
Office of the FBI, arriving at that Office at approximately  
[redacted] 1962. He was fingerprinted and  
photographed [redacted]  
be [redacted]

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At approximately [redacted] 1962,  
[redacted] was taken to the Chicago, Illinois Police  
Department, [redacted] where he was incarcerated.

The following description was obtained from interview  
and observation:

Name:  
Race:  
Sex:  
Date of Birth:  
Height:  
Weight:  
Hair:  
Eyes:  
Occupation:  
Scars and Marks:

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by SAB [redacted] <sup>d</sup> /MJT b7C Date dictated 2/13/62

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